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On June 11, 2000 between approximately 6:00 p.m. –6:45 p.m. at least 32 women were viciously attacked and sexually assaulted during the Puerto Rican Day Parade in New York City. Police believe 40-60 men took part in the rampage, which involved stripping, groping, fondling, sexually assaulting and robbing female victims.

In the Philippines there are  
an estimated 300,000  
women in prostitution and  
75,000 prostituted  
children.

Sexual assaults of men  
are frequently violent,  
and involve weapons.

The brothels of India hold between 100,000 and 160,000 Nepalese women and girls, 35 % were taken on the false pretext of marriage or a good job.

## **1995**

Despite having plead guilty to charges of sexual abuse, Ritchie Parker, a New York City high school basketball player, is being recruited by several college programs. In defending his decision to recruit Parker, Utah's assistant coach, Donny Daniels, suggested that too much sympathy was shown to the victim. After all, "there are worse crimes."

“In fiscal year 2003, 10,693 male veterans told the VA they had experienced unwanted sexual attention during their service years. From rape to verbal harassment.

1 in 6 men will be  
sexually abused in  
his lifetime.



As many as 75% of women in treatment for alcoholism report a history of incest or childhood sexual abuse.

## **January 1999**

In a survey conducted among 1,500 schoolchildren in Soweto township, in south Africa, 25% of all the boys interviewed said that “jackrolling” – South African term for recreational gang rape – was fun.

9 out of 10 women under 50 who had served in the US Military and who responded to a survey, reported having been sexually harassed while in the service. Nearly 1/3 reported having been raped.

## **Spring 2001**

In Indiana, a judge required sexual assault victim, Michelle Robertson, to spend the night in jail after she failed to appear at the trial of her attacker. Robertson, who is afraid to face her attacker, missed three appointments to give a statement to the defense attorney for the assailant she claims broke into her house and raped her at knifepoint. Prosecutors put out an arrest warrant for Robertson after she failed to appear for trial.

“Honor Killing” is an ancient practice in which men kill female relatives in the name of family for forced or suspected sexual activity outside the marriage, even in cases of rape. In 1997, some 300 women were estimated to have been killed in the name of “honor” in one province of Pakistan alone.

At least 60 million girls who would otherwise be expected to be alive are “missing” from various populations, mostly Asia, as a result of sex-selective abortions, infanticide, or neglect.

United States- Of the 1,977 high school girls aged 14-18 surveyed in a 1997 study, about 20% reported that they had been hit, slapped, shoved, or forced into sexual activity by a dating partner.

The fastest growing group of sexual assault victims is males, between the ages of 12 and 20.



**December 6, 2000**

A group of Filipino women forced into sexual slavery by Japan's army during World War II have lost their fight for compensation from the government. Tokyo has acknowledged its military was involved in operating brothels, but has refused to provide compensation or apologize. The Tokyo High Court said, "In light of international law, individuals are not granted the right to demand compensation from the country that did them harm. Also the period for demanding compensation has already ended.

## **1992 Britain**

A man entered a London subway restroom and was attacked by three men at knifepoint and brutally raped in a toilet stall.

Over one million women and children are trafficked each year worldwide for forced labor, domestic servitude, or sexual exploitation.

It is estimated that  
92,748 men are raped in  
the United States each  
year.

Rape victims are nine times more likely than non-victims to have attempted suicide.

60% of men raped  
by other men knew  
their attacker.

More than 130 million girls and women worldwide have been subjected to female genital cutting, and a further two million are at risk.

An estimated 3.8 million adult women have had rape-related Post Traumatic Stress Disorder; an additional 211,000 will develop it each year.



**1995**

A Michigan judge sentenced a convicted rapist to 18 months in prison instead of the recommended 10 years. The reason, the judge told the court, is that the rapist helped the woman off the floor after raping her.

## **February 2001**

Throughout the nine-year Civil War in Sierra Leone, there has been widespread and systematic sexual violence against women and girls including individual and gang rape, sexual assault with objects such as firewood, umbrellas and sticks, and sexual slavery. In thousands of cases, sexual violence has been followed by the abduction of women and girls and forced bondage to combatant in slavery-like conditions. These sexual crimes are most often characterized by extraordinary brutality and are frequently preceded or followed by acts of violence against other family members.

In 1990 Clayton Williams, running for the governorship of Texas, publicly quipped that bad weather was like rape: “if you can’t do anything about it, just relax and enjoy it.”

## **South Africa, November 2002**

A recent series of rapes of baby girls has left South Africans reeling with horror. Everyday newspapers bring awful revelations: a nine-month old girl gang raped by six men; an eight-month-old raped and left by the roadside; a five-month-old discovered covered in blood and tears. More than 20,000 child rapes were reported to the police in 2000, although correspondents say many more are believed to go unreported.

## **June 2002 Rwandan & Congolese Armies:**

“War continues to rage in the eastern Congo. Within that larger war, combatants carry out another war – sexual violence against women and girls.” Combatants raped women and girls during military operations... Some rapists attacked their victims with extreme brutality. In two (known) cases assailants inserted firearms into the vaginas of their victims and shot them. Some mutilated the sex organs of the victims with knives, some attacked girls as young as five years of age and women as old as 80.

## **September 2004 – Boston globe**

“A Pentagon study of sexual assault in the military released in May found that 9% of the 2,012 reported victims of sexual assault in the armed forces in 2002 and 2003 were men. Most said they were assaulted by fellow servicemen. Those figures include 118 service members who say they were sexually assaulted during the current conflict.”

Every 21 hours on each  
college campus in the  
US there is a rape.

Approximately one million women are stalked annually in the United States.



On April 19, 1989 a group of 50 teens in New York City planned to go “wilding”, which meant to go out in packs for the purpose of hunting down and assaulting someone. One group of boys chased down a female jogger in Central Park. They dragged the woman to a secluded place where they fractured her skull with a four-foot lead pipe and some large rocks. The boys ripped the jogger’s clothes off, tied her hands behind her back, gagged her and took turns beating, stomping and raping the unconscious woman. They left her for dead as 75% of her blood oozed onto the grass.

## 1991

Twenty minutes after the testimony of a victim in a marital rape trial, a suburban Chicago judge called the defense attorney and the prosecuting attorneys into his chambers. An advocate reported that the judge said he would have a difficult time convicting the defendant on a felony when it was just bedroom sex that had gotten out of hand.

## **1991 Philadelphia**

A man was abducted and raped by three men while walking down the street to meet his spouse. The man suffered such intense psychological anguish that he hanged himself before the case went to trial.